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Re: Application of **Alessio FASANO**
entitled "PEPTIDE ANTAGONISTS OF
ZONULIN AND METHODS FOR USE OF THE SAME"
Assignee: **UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE**
Our Ref: A-8630

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 10/095,450 (Conf. No. 7659) filed **March 13, 2002**, of **Alessio FASANO** entitled "PEPTIDE ANTAGONISTS OF ZONULIN AND METHODS FOR USE OF THE SAME"; which in turn is a Divisional of U.S. Application No. 09/127,815, filed August 3, 1998 (now U.S. Patent 6,458,925).

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and Abstract, 10 sheets of drawings and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (as filed in the prior application).

Also, filed simultaneously herewith is a Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement (accompanied by Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) - listing references cited by Applicant and/or the Examiner during prosecution of the prior application), and a Statement in Support of Submission (accompanied by a substitute Sequence Listing).

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1653.

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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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